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Applicant : Rajiv Ramaswami, et al.

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Title : SIGNALS AND METHODS FOR INCREASING RELIABILITY

IN OPTICAL NETWORK EQUIPMENT (As Amended)

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TO OPTICAL CONVERSION IN AN OPTICAL CROSS-

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING

## 35 USC 120 and 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1) DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

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#### Dear Sir:

Prior to a calculation of fees and a first examination in the 35 USC 120 and 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1) divisional application filed herewith, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

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## IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title as follows:

"METHOD AND APPARATUS— SIGNALS AND METHODS FOR INCREASING
RELIABILITY IN OPTICAL NETWORK EQUIPMENT TO ELECTRICAL TO
OPTICAL CONVERSION IN AN OPTICAL CROSS CONNECT SWITCH"